

200 Applicants Processed Thru Arsenal Office

Keeping members of the personnel department at the Joliet Arsenal busy thruout the day, more than 200 persons were processed thru the employment division there yesterday, according to Col. Byron Rife, commanding officer.

The applicants came in response to a call for 850 ammunition handlers and explosive operators issued Saturday by the commanding officer.

ABOUT 550 applications are still needed between now and April 19 so that the plant can meet work schedules assigned it by the ordnance department. Vets of World War I and II are being given preference for jobs.

However, anyone interested can apply at the personnel office at the main gate of the Arsenal (formerly EOP) between the hours of 8 a. m. and 2 p. m. until April 19. A wage increase of 12 cents per hour for nongraded employes as previously announced by the war department, will be come effective April 14.

It was estimated that during the day more than 150 cars were checked at the parking lot of the personnel office, bringing about scenes reminiscent of days when the plant first began operations shortly before the outbreak of World War II.